

CTMS Structured Protocol Representation SIG Teleconference Meeting Minutes

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Agenda

1. Approval of minutes

The minutes of the October 5, 2004 teleconference were approved.

2. Reminder about returning Survey

Linda Schmandt has circulated a survey of protocol systems and processes to the SIG members. All are reminded that it should be returned to Linda by November 5. Comments and suggestions on the survey should likewise be circulated to Linda ASAP.

3. Report on CTSU meeting

Scott and Sharon attended meetings of the Coalition for National Cancer Cooperative Groups (NCCG) and the Cancer Trials Support Unit (CTSU); these meetings reviewed the current state of IT, and future directions, in the coordination of support for cooperative group trials. There is a lot of interest in collaborating with caBIG, especially in the Tissue Banking and Clinical Trials workspaces. The cooperative groups plan to have a representative attend each workspace and/or SIG. Sharon will identify the individuals involved. Doug suggested we do something in the reverse direction; that we might learn quite a bit from CTSU who have many years experience trying to harmonize data across different centers. Lakshmi informed the group that she has already done some work with CTSU on their model. Doug will set up a teleconference so we can gain an understanding of the CTSU model and how to harmonize it and the caBIG structured protocol representation model. Participants will be Sharon, Donna, Lakshmi, Doug, John, Hemmant and Smita.

4. Report on Architecture face-to-face meeting

John was one of several SIG members who attended at least part of the recent face-to-face meeting of the Architecture cross-cutting workspace in Chicago. He reported that the meeting focused more on low-level technical issues such as data provenance, grid architecture and identity management; use cases hurriedly provided by this SIG were not discussed. This provides us an opportunity to prepare more formal use cases; it is hoped that the survey will provide us a place to start. A further conference call (participants: Arumani, Doug, Joyce John, others if interested) will be set up to discuss the use cases from this SIG.

5. Use case development

Discussion on this topic was postponed until the survey results are collated.

6. Planning for the face-to-face meeting

Doug plans a very hands-on discussion involving the development of use cases. He will send the agenda to Scott within the next week, so any input and suggestions need to be received by Doug ASAP.

7. Development of a glossary of terms to be used in our SIG (in association with CDISC)

CDISC already have a very well-developed glossary of terms. It was decided to use this as a starting point, with the goal of incorporating any changes we need into CDISC's glossary rather than having them diverge. All SIG members are asked to review the CDISC glossary and look for additions and/or changes as needed. Smita reported that the NCCG also has a glossary – she will send it to John and Doug. John will perform an initial review of the NCCG glossary; a subsequent conference call will probably be necessary.

Next meetings

Next meeting: Nov 16-17 (face-to-face in Duarte, CA)

Action items

- Sharon will identify CTSU liaisons to participate in this SIG
- Doug will organize a teleconference to discuss the CTSU model (Sharon, Donna, Lakshmi, Doug, John, Hemmant, Smita)
- Smita will send John the NCCG Glossary
- John will perform the first pass at harmonizing the NCCG and CDISC glossaries
- Doug will send the face-to-face agenda to Scott
- Doug will set up a conference call with Arumani, Joyce and John to discuss use cases.